

WEBB COUNTY, TEXAS COMMISSIONERS COURT

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PUBLIC NOTICE

COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING

Webb County Courthouse 1000 Houston Street, 2ND Floor Laredo, Texas 78040 January 23, 2006 at 1:00 p.m. and continuing January 24, 2006 at 1:00 p.m. if necessary

- 1. Call to order by the Honorable County Judge, Louis H. Bruni
- 2. Roll call by the Honorable County Clerk, Margie Ibarra
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. Approval of Bills, Payroll and Monthly Reports
- 5. Communications
- 6. Public Comment- This section provides the public the opportunity to address the Commissioners Court on any items on the Agenda. Members of the public wishing to participate must complete a Witness Card specifying which agenda item they wish to comment on. Each public member will be allowed a total of three (3) minutes within which to make any/all public comments.

COURT TO DISCUSS AND ACT ON THE FOLLOWING:

HONORABLE LOUIS H. BRUNI, WEBB COUNTY JUDGE

- 7. Discussion and possible action to direct staff to entertain discussion/negotiations with the City of Laredo regarding a possible lease of Casa Blanca property owned or controlled by Webb County for use as a water park; with instructions to report back to the court at the next meeting regarding any progress on the same; and, any other matters incident thereto.
- **8.** Status report on the secondary water source/water well at the Carrizo Wilcox aquifer.
- **9.** Discussion and possible action to `authorize the purchasing agent to purchase three patrol vehicles (sedan/cruisers) in the total amount of \$74,613.45 from Phil-Pitt Motors for Constable Rudy Rodriguez, Precinct 1, and any other matters incident thereto (funding source: acct. 682-0103-8801; bond series 2001).

HONORABLE FRANK SCIARAFFA, COMMISSIONER PCT. 1

10. Discussion and Possible Action Authorizing the Purchasing Agent and the County Engineer to Advertise for bids for the proposed Rio Bravo Recreational Center (South Activity Center) to be constructed in the vicinity of the Rio Bravo Community Park.

HONORABLE JUDITH G. GUTIERREZ, COMMISSIONER PCT.2

- **11.** Discussion and possible action to approve the following applicants recommended by the Webb County Housing Rehab Scoring Committee.
 - 1. Mr. Jesus Tejeda Rt. 2 Box 305 Enlace St. Colonia Los Altos Laredo. Texas
 - Mr. Oscar Martinez
 122 Espana
 Colonia San Carlos
 Laredo, Texas

HONORABLE JERRY GARZA, COMMISSIONER PCT.3

- **12.** Discussion and possible action to appoint Mr. Marcus Moreno to the Webb County Community Action Agency Board.
- 13. Discussion and possible action to support the participation of Laredo Community College in the program called "The North American Advanced Manufacturing Research and Education Initiative" [under acronym of "NAAMREI"]; and support the proposal to the U.S. Department of Labor under such initiative for funding through a program call "The Workforce Innovation in Regional Economic Development (WIRED) Program" [under acronym of "WIRED"]; and to the extend that federal funding be available, and to provide matching funds up to \$150,000 to Laredo Community College. [Co-sponsored by Commissioner Frank Sciaraffa].
- 14. Proclamation proclaiming January 2006 as "National Mentoring Month".

HONORABLE CINDY CORTEZ-BRUNNER, COMMISSIONER PCT.4

- **15.** Update on timetable for the initiation of construction for the Father McNaboe Spray Park project.
- **16.** Update on La Ladrillera Distribution Center, setting date for dedication of facility and any matters incident thereto.
- **17.** Status of Water and Sewer Improvements at Colonia Los Corralitos at Pico Road in Northwest Webb County.
- **18.** Discussion and possible action to approve the following applicant being recommended by the Webb County Housing Rehab Scoring Committee.

Mr. & Mrs. Xavier & Rosalba Perez RRT. 22 Box 300-27 Colonia Penitas West Laredo, Texas

COMMISSIONERS COURT

- 19. Status report by tax collection lawyers, Cavazos, Morales, Tijerina & Montemayor, L.L.P. regarding Ca. No. 2002-TXAO2499 D1; Webb County vs. K-mart Corp., and bankruptcy issues regarding the same with discussion and possible action to authorize said attorneys to take advisable action in furtherance of Webb's interests attendant to the same, and any other matters incident thereto. [Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code, Title 5, Subchapter D, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) (Pending/anticipated Litigation).]
- 20. Status report by tax collection attorneys, Cavazos, Morales, Tijerina & Montemayor, L.L.P. regarding Ca. No. 2004 TXA446-D1, Webb County v. Camino Columbia, Inc.; the result on the hearing on the same allegedly had on Wednesday, January 18, 2005; and, any other matters incident thereto. [Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code, Title 5, Subchapter D, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) (Pending/anticipated Litigation).]

HORORABLE RICK FLORES, WEBB COUNTY SHERIFF

- 21. Discussion and possible action to approve the submission of grant application to the Office of Justice Programs U.S. Department of Justice for a FY 2006 Competitive Gang Resistance Education and Training (G.R.E.A.T.) Program up to \$100,000 for component(s) to include implementing a G.R.E.A.T. Middle School component (and one other component). This grant has a ten (10%) percent in-kind match requirement.
- 22. Discussion and possible action to approve the submission of a grant application to the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department by the Webb County Sheriff's Department Police Activities League (P.A.L.) and its Sheriff's Outdoor Youth Posse for a Community Outdoor-Outreach Program (CO-OP) in the amount of \$30,000 for outdoor recreational opportunities for the disadvantaged, at-risk children of Webb County. This grant includes grant (non-cash) match in the form of volunteer and in-kind resources of \$10,000.
- **23.** Discussion and possible action for acceptance or rejection of a November 18, 2004 bill of \$1,680.00 for ribbons for a defunct printer based solely on a telephone request by the prior administration without purchase order.
- **24.** Discussion and possible action on the structural decline of the Webb County Sheriff's Administration Building located at 902 Victoria St., Laredo, TX.
- **25.** Discussion and possible action to assign the old records management warehouse to the exclusive availability of the Webb County Sheriff's Department to be used for law enforcement operations, office and storage space.

COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY

26. Discussion and possible action to accept a check in the amount of \$2,500.00 from TXU Energy Retail Company. Webb County Community Action Agency will utilize these funds to help families that are in financial distress to meet energy related costs essential to their health and welfare.

HONORABLE HOMERO RAMIREZ, WEBB COUNTY ATTORNEY

- 27. Discussion and possible action to enter an order of the Commissioners Court to prohibit outdoor burning in the unincorporated areas of the County for a period not to exceed ninety days pursuant to §352.081 of the Local Government Code and any matters incident thereto.
- 28. Discussion and possible action to enter into an inter-local agreement with the City of Laredo to accept funding in the amount of SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$7,500.00) for the Webb County Community Action Agency's Elderly Nutrition Program for fiscal Year 2005-2006 (October 1, 2005-September 30, 2006) to provide meals for the elderly and authorizing the County Judge to execute all relevant documents.
- 29. Discussion and possible action to enter into an inter-local agreement with the City of Laredo to accept funding in the amount of SEVEN THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$7,125.00) for the Webb County Community Action Meals on Wheels Program for fiscal Year 2005-2006 (October 1, 2005- September 30, 2006) to provide approximately 200 eligible individuals within the City of Laredo and authorizing the County Judge to execute all relevant documents.
- 30. Discussion and possible action to submit El Aguila Grant Application Part II to the Texas Department of Transportation for the second installment of a grant for El Aguila rural mass transportation in a total amount not to exceed TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED EIGHTEEN DOLLARS (\$270,918.00) and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. [Requested by CAA/El Aguila Transportation, Account No. 980-4205 (El Aguila Rural Transportation)]
- 31. Discussion and possible action to enter into a one (1) year (December 31,2005 thru January 1, 2007) agreement with South Texas Workforce Development Board to provide internet access at the Self Help Center for an annual amount of TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2000.00) and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. [Requested by Self Center; Account No. (Center is not a budget item)]
- **32.** Discussion and possible action to enter into a one (1) year Investment Advisor Services Agreement with Estrada Hinojosa & Company, Inc., at the agreed upon fees outlined under Appendix "A" of the agreement, and authorizing the Webb County Judge to execute all relevant documents.

- 33. Discussion and possible action to enter into an Equipment Lease Agreement with Toshiba Financial Systems and Office Communications Systems, Inc. for two (2) Lanier LD055 Copiers to be located at Head Start for a thirty-six month period (January 23, 2006 through January 22, 2009) in the amount of FIVE HUNDRED FIFTY-SIX DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$556.00) per month and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. [Requested by Head Start Acct. No. 903-4208-6014 (Equipment Rental)].
- 34. Discussion and possible action to enter into an Equipment Lease Agreement with Office Communications Systems, Inc. for one (1) Toshiba ES-450 Copier to be located at Treasurer's Office for a thirty-six month period (January 23, 2006 through January 22, 2009) in the amount of TWO HUNDRED AND FOURTEEN DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$214.00) per month and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. [Requested by Head Start Acct. No. 001-0300-6402 (Equipment Rental)].
- 35. Discussion and possible action to enter into an Equipment Lease Agreement with Toshiba Financial Services and Office Communications Systems, Inc. for one (1) Toshiba ES-210 Copier to be located at Veteran's Service Office for a thirty-six month period (January 23, 2006 through January 22, 2009) in the amount of NINETY-TWO DOLLARS AND THIRTY-NINE CENTS (\$92.39.00) per month and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. [Requested by Veteran's Service Acct. No. 001-5050-6402 (Equipment Rental)].
- 36. Discussion and possible action to enter into an Equipment Maintenance Agreement with Office Communications Systems, Inc. for one (1) Toshiba ES 450 Digital Copier for the Treasurer's Office for a three (3) year period (January 23, 2006 through January 22, 2009) with copy overages invoiced at \$0.0080 per print copy and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. [Requested by Treasurer, Account No. 001-0300-6402 (Repairs and Maintenance)]
- 37. Discussion and possible action to enter into an Equipment Maintenance Agreement with Office Communications Systems, Inc. for one (1) Toshiba ES 210 Digital Copier for the Veteran's Service Office for a thirty-six (36) month period (January 23, 2006 through January 22, 2009) with service charges invoiced at \$0.0103 per print copy and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents. [Requested by Veteran's Service Office, Account No. 001-5050-6402 (Lease and Maintenance)]

- 38. Discussion and possible action to accept 4 rights of way, out of Los Altos Subdivision, 2 rights-of-way out of Tanquecitos I Subdivision, 3 rights-of-way out of San Carlos I Subdivision, 3 rights-of-way out of San Carlos II Subdivision, one (1) right-of-way out of Ranchitos Los Centenarios Subdivision and one (1) right-of-way out of Ranchitos Los Nopalitos Subdivision, and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents.
- **39.** Discussion and possible action to enter into Third Party Funding Agreements as Follow:

General Fund

Laredo Little Theater \$4,200.00 and authorizing the County Judge to execute all relevant documents.

- **40.** Discussion and possible action to authorize the Washington's Birthday Celebration Association the use of County property on Highway 59, known as the CLEAR shooting range, on Sunday, February 19, 2006, for the purpose of a fireworks display and authorizing the County Judge to execute all relevant documents.
- 41. Discussion and possible action to enter into an Inter-local Government Agreement with the City of Laredo to form a Mutual Aid Law Enforcement Task Force during the 2006 Washington's Birthday Celebration Festivities (January 26 through February 19, 2006) to allow the Sheriff's Department and Laredo Police Department to Mutually Assist each other in traffic and crowd control and authorizing the County Judge to execute all relevant documents.
- **42.** Discussion and possible action to enter into an inter-local agreement with the City of Laredo as Administrator for the Regional Planning Commission for a eighteen month period beginning September 1, 2005 to February 28, 2007 for the provision of 9-1-1 service and public safety answering point equipment and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents.

HONORABLE MARGIE RAMIREZ IBARRA, WEBB COUNTY CLERK

43. Discussion and possible action to ratify the concurrently recorded agreement of the Webb County Clerk and Justices of the Peace transferring the duties imposed by law upon a Justice of the Peace relating to the maintenance of birth and death records of a precinct, to the Webb County Clerk.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- **44.** Discussion and possible action to submit a Budget Amendment to HUD, Neighborhood Initiative Program in order to adjust line items and insure the expenditure of all grant funds.
- **45.** Discussion and possible action to authorize the Purchasing Agent to Request for Proposals for design/ built of the Nutrition / Health Learning Center located in the Self-Help Center complex.
- **46.** Discussion and possible action to authorize the Purchasing Agent to Solicit Request for Proposals for Architectural Services to prepare floor plans and assessments for eligible applicants under the Home, Major Reconstruction Program.
- **47.** Discussion and possible action to accept the Webb County VISTA Volunteer Program's third-year re-funding from the Corporation For National Service Americorps Vista Program in the amount of \$250,777.00 (Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-Seven) for one year to start on January 01, 2006 and to end on December 31, 2006.
- **48.** Discussion and possible action to accept a grant award from the Texas Task Force on Indigent Defense in the amount of \$120,076 (One Hundred Twenty Thousand Seventy-Six) for period October 01, 2005 thru September 30, 2006.
- **49.** Discussion and possible action on approving a resolution identifying Webb County's Potential Recreational Project priorities developed by the Webb County Recreational Plan Update Committee for the required 2005 revision of the existing 200-2010 Webb County Recreational Plan.
- 50. Discussion and possible action on a resolution to submit a grant application to the Office of Justice Programs Office on Violence Against Women Safe Havens: Supervised Visitation and Safe Exchange Grant Program in the amount of \$350,000.00, with a County in-kind match of \$10,000.00 in administrative functions; to designate the Children's Advocacy Center of Laredo/Webb County as the subcontractor in the execution and administration of the Webb County Safe Havens Program; and to designate County Judge Louis H. Bruni as the County's authorized official.

ENGINEER

- **51.** Discussion and Possible Action Authorizing the Utilities Department to fill Vacant Position, Slot # 1538, Plant Operator I at \$10.08 per hour.
- **52.** Discussion and Possible Action Authorizing Change Order No. 5 to Satterfield & Pontikes Construction, Inc., for adding automating equipment to the 2.4 million gallon per day Water Treatment Plant in the amount of \$79,871.88 and adding 59 days to the contract. This is subject to the approval of the Texas Water Development Board.

HEADSTART

53. Discussion and possible action to modify slot # 998 from full-time CDA Teacher II (40 hrs/wk for 11 months) with an annual salary of \$20,875.44 to full-time AA Teacher (40 hrs./wk for 10 months) with an annual salary of \$22,558.08 to become effective January 24, 2006.

PLANNING

54. Discussion and possible action authorizing the Planning Department staff to initiate and prepare all applicable documents, takings impact assessment and publications necessary for Webb County to adopt state imposed revisions to the model subdivision rules pursuant to the provisions of Sections 16.343 and 16.350 of the Texas Water Code; said revisions are the result of the Texas Water Development Board's re-adoption of the model subdivision rules and subsequent re-numbering of the Texas Administrative Code. These rules must be adopted at the local level for continued eligibility for state and federal funding of colonia improvements.

PUBLIC DEFENDER

55. Discussion and possible action to fill slot #1725 (Assistant Public Defender) at a yearly salary of \$53,775.

PURCHASING

56. Discussion and possible action to approve the payment to Carrillo & Associates, INC. in the amount of \$9,435.00 for the Geotechnical Testing for the TXDOT BORDER ACCESS COLONIAS PROJECT-EL CENIZO PAVING PROJECT PHASE. [Account #671-8001-6022-8]

- **57.** Discussion and possible action to approve/reject the following proposal: P-2006-09 "Proposals for Engineering Services for Lake Casa Blanca Dam Repairs"
- **58.** Discussion and possible action to approve the request for qualifications for a Human Resource Director.
- **59.** Discussion and possible action to purchase educational products for the Head Start program from National Educational Systems, Inc. In the amount of \$15,813.38. [Account #903-4208-6069]
- **60.** Discussion and possible action to authorize the purchasing agent to activate cellular services for Justice of the Peace Alfredo Garcia, Pct. 3 and Constable Annette Munoz, Pct. 3 from Cingular wireless in the amount of \$65.59 each through the Texas Department Information Resources Contract no. Tele-06-27-03/Texan2000-cing-w. Account no. 001-0109-6004 telephone account.

ROAD & BRIDGE

61. Discussion and possible action to fill slot #1376 Office Manager.

TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR

62. Discussion and possible action for the Commissioners Court to approve request from the Tax Assessor-Collector's Office, Dept. 0700:

Refund due as follows:

Best Buy Stores, LP, Attn: Tax Department P.O. Box 9312, Minneapolis, MN 55440-9312

Acct. # 801-02001-020

Reason: Protest 2005-9269; Clerical Error 25.25c Adjust Personal Property

Value for 2005

Total Refund: \$3,197.95

63. Discussion and possible action for the Commissioners Court to approve request from the Tax Assessor-Collector's Office, Dept. 0700:

Refund due as follows:

Citi Mortgage Service Center, Attn: C Pulley – Ref. # C1547

P.O. Box 23689

Acct. # 900-90221-219

Reason: Paid in Error by Mortgage Co.

Total Refund: \$4,315.07

64. Adjournment

The Webb County Commissioners Court hereby reserves the right to go into executive session at any time during this public meeting, if such is requested by the County Attorney or other legal counsel for the County, pursuant to his or her duty under Section 551.071(2) of the Government Code, to consult privately with his or her client on an item on the agenda, or on a matter arising out of such item.

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Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need auxiliary aid of service such as interpreters for persons who are deaf or hearing impaired, readers, or need large print are requested to contact the court administrator at (956) 523-4622.

DATED THIS	DAY OF JANUARY,	2006
By: YOLANDA L. C. COURT ADMIN	ARRILLO ISTRATOR	
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